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VEVAY, INDIANA MAN CHARGED WITH BEING FELON IN POSSESSION OF FIREARM

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ROBERT C. ANDERSON, 37, Vevay, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for possession of a firearm by a person previously convicted of a felony. This prosecution follows an investigation by the Switzerland County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and is part of the PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS initiative.

On September 11, 2003, armed with a state search warrant, law enforcement officers entered the residence of Robert Anderson in Vevay. They located five firearms in the master bedroom, including an SKS, Norinco, semi-automatic rifle. The indictment further

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alleges that ANDERSON was previously convicted of robbery causing bodily injury, in 1997 in Tarrant County, Texas.

According to First Assistant United States Attorney Timothy M. Morrison, who is prosecuting the case for the government, ANDERSON faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 10 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000 on each charge. An initial hearing on the indictment will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in New Albany. ANDERSON was ordered detained pending resolution of his case, following a hearing before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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